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Chief Section of Administration Office of Proceedings **Surface Transportation Board** 395 "E" Street, S.W. Washington, D C 20423

**Dear Section Chief:** 

Enclosed for recordation pursuant to the provisions of 49 U.S.C. Section 11301(a) are two (2) copies of a Subordination Agreement and Consent to Superior Lien, dated as of July 15, 2010, a secondary document as defined in the Board's Rules for the Recordation of Documents.

The enclosed document relates to the documents previously filed with the Board under Recordation Numbers 6690 and 21295.

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are:

Grantor:

National Railroad Passenger Corporation

10 G Street, NE

Washington, DC 20002

Secured Party:

Federal Railroad Administration

400 Seventh Street SW Washington, DC 20590

Indenture Trustee: Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company

(successor-in-interest to The First National

Bank of Maryland

25 South Charles Street Baltimore, MD 21201

A description of the railroad equipment covered by the enclosed document is:

8 locomotives. AMTK 710 - AMTK 717.

A short summary of the document to appear in the index is:

Subordination Agreement and Consent to Superior Lien.

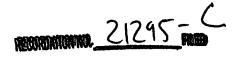
Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$41.00 payable to the order of the Surface Transportation Board covering the required recordation fee.

Kindly return stamped copies of the enclosed document to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert W Alvord

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## SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT AND CONSENT TO SUPERIOR LIEN

SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT AND CONSENT TO SUPERIOR LIEN (this "Agreement and Consent"), dated as of July 15, 2010, among the Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration of the United States Department of Transportation (the "Administrator"), acting (unless otherwise specified herein) on behalf of and as the delegate of the Secretary of the Department of Transportation (the "Secretary"), the National Railroad Passenger Corporation ("Amtrak"), and Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company, as successor-in-interest to The First National Bank of Maryland, National Association, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Indenture Trustee (the "Indenture Trustee").

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Security Agreement (the "FRA Security Agreement") between the Administrator and Amtrak dated October 5, 1983 Amtrak granted the Administrator a lien on certain of its personal property, whenever acquired, including railroad rolling stock (the "FRA Lien"), which lien will attach to the Equipment (as defined below), upon the purchase by Amtrak of the Equipment as contemplated by the Omnibus Agreement (as defined below);

WHEREAS, the U.S. Bank, National Association, as successor-in-interest to First Union National Bank, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee and as lessor ("Owner Trustee"), and Amtrak, as lessee, entered into that certain (i) Lease of Railroad Equipment (Amtrak Trust 98-A) dated as of Maich 15, 1998 (the "Lease") and (ii) that certain Lease Supplement No 1 (Amtrak Trust 98-A) dated March 27, 1998 ("Lease Supplement No 1"), covering the railroad equipment listed in Schedule A hereto, bearing the equipment numbers of Amtrak shown in said Schedule A (the "Equipment"), and all additions and alterations thereof, replacements thereof and substitutions therefor, a memorandum of which was recorded with the Surface Transportation Board (successor-in-interest to the Interstate Commerce Commission, the "STB") on March 27, 1998 at 1:25 p.m. under Recordation No. 21295;

WHEREAS, Owner Trustee and Indenture Trustee entered into that certain (i) Trust Indenture and Security Agreement (Amtrak Trust 98-A), dated as of March 15, 1998 (the "Original Indenture") and (ii) that certain Trust Agreement and Indenture Supplement No. 1 (Amtrak Trust 98-A), dated March 27, 1998 ("Original Indenture Supplement No I"), covering the Equipment, a memorandum of which was recorded with the STB on March 27, 1998 at 1:25 p.m. under Recordation No. 21295-A;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Operative Documents (as defined in Annex A of the Lease) and an Omnibus Termination and Amendment and Restatement Agreement, dated as of July 15, 2010 (the "Omnibus Agreement"), Amtrak is purchasing the Equipment from Owner Trustee, and in connection therewith, (i) the Lease and Lease Supplement No. 1, shall be terminated, (ii) Original Indenture and Original Indenture Supplement No. 1 shall be amended and restated, (iii) all of Owner Trustee's rights, obligations and interests under the Original Indenture and Original Indenture Supplement No. 1 and in and to the Equipment shall be terminated or assigned to Amtrak, as applicable, and (iv) Amtrak shall assume the obligations of Owner Trustee in respect of, inter alia, the indebtedness that relates to

Equipment and was issued under and secured by the Original Indenture (the "Assumed Indebtedness") by entering into the Indenture (as defined below);

WHEREAS, Amtrak and the Indenture Trustee entered into that certain Amended and Restated Trust Indenture and Security Agreement (Amtrak Trust 98-A), dated as of July 15, 2010 (the "Indenture"), and that certain Amended and Restated Indenture Supplement No. 1 ("Indenture Supplement No 1"), (which in so far as it relates to the Assumed Indebtedness and the Equipment, amends and restates the Original Indenture and the Original Indenture Supplement No. 1, respectively), evidence of which will be recorded with the STB, which subjects, as hereafter described, Amtrak's right, title and interest in the Equipment to the lien of the Indenture;

WHEREAS, for the avoidance of doubt, the amendment and restatement and the termination of the Original Indenture and the Lease, respectively, shall be effective as of July 15, 2010; and

WHEREAS, as a condition to the purchase of the Equipment by Amtrak, the lien of the Indenture in the Equipment must be superior in right of priority and payment to the FRA Lien in the Equipment,

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to facilitate the purchase of the Equipment by Amtrak pursuant to the Lease and the issuance of new notes by Amtrak to the Loan Participant (as defined in the Indenture), on the terms and subject to the conditions of the Omnibus Agreement, the parties hereto agree as follows:

- 1. The interest and rights of the Administrator under the FRA Security Agreement in any portion of the Equipment and to any payment from the Equipment shall be subordinate and junior (absolutely, and without regard to arguments of circularity or otherwise) in priority to the lien granted to the Indenture Trustee and in all rights of the Indenture Trustee under or in connection with the Indenture with respect to the Equipment, and to the prior payment and performance in full of all obligations secured thereunder (the "Obligations").
- 2. The Administrator hereby consents to Amtrak's granting a lien on the Equipment to the Indenture Trustee, superior to the interest and rights of the Administrator under the FRA Security Agreement, as security for the Obligations.
- 3. The Indenture Trustee may exercise its rights and remedies under or related to the Indenture or the Obligations, or as otherwise may be prescribed by law, without obtaining any further consent of the Administrator or the Secretary, so long as the proceeds of a sale or other disposition of the Equipment pursuant to such exercise are applied towards satisfaction of the Obligations with any remaining proceeds paid to the FRA in satisfaction of obligations under the FRA Security Agreement or with the written permission of the Administrator such proceeds may be invested in capital assets of Amtrak supporting the provision of intercity rail passenger services.
- 4. The Administrator agrees that it shall not exercise its rights under the FRA Security Agreement in respect of the Equipment unless and until all the Obligations have been paid and discharged in full and that the Indenture Trustee shall be entitled to any amount

received by the Administrator in respect of the Equipment so long as any Obligations remain outstanding.

- 5. In the event that the Administrator receives any payment in respect of the FRA Security Agreement to which the Indenture Trustee is entitled to receive under the provisions of this Agreement and Consent and the Indenture, any such amount so received will be held in trust for the Indenture Trustee and will forthwith be turned over to the Indenture Trustee for application to the Obligations.
- 6. Until the Obligations shall have been paid and discharged in full, in the event of any receivership, insolvency, bankruptcy, assignment for the benefit of creditors, reorganization or arrangement with creditors, whether or not pursuant to bankruptcy laws, sale of all or substantially all of the assets, dissolution, liquidation or any other marshaling of the assets and liabilities of Amtrak, the Administrator will, at the reasonable request of the Indenture Trustee, provide information, writings, and cooperation directed towards effectuating the agreements herein and the obligations hereof.
- 7. The Administrator hereby expressly acknowledges, consents and agrees, at any time and from time to time, without the consent of or notice to the Administrator, that the following may occur without incurring responsibility to the Administrator and without impairing or releasing any of the lights of the Indenture Trustee or any of the obligations of the Administrator hereunder:
  - (a) The Indenture, or any promissory note issued thereunder, may be amended, supplemented or otherwise modified by the parties thereto,
  - (b) the Indenture Trustee may or may not exercise any and all rights which it may have against Amtrak pursuant to the Indenture or under Applicable Law with respect to the Equipment subject to the lien of the Indenture; and
  - (c) any sums received by the Indenture Trustee with respect to the Obligations, by whomsoever paid or however realized, may be applied to the Obligations as provided in the Indenture with any remaining sums paid to the FRA in satisfaction of the obligations under the FRA Security Agreement or with the written permission of the Administrator such sums may be invested in capital assets of Amtrak supporting the provision of intercity rail passenger services.
- 8. The Administrator represents and warrants that (a) neither the execution nor delivery of this Agreement and Consent nor fulfillment nor compliance with the terms and provisions hereof will conflict with, or result in a breach of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any agreement or instrument to which the Administrator, the Secretary or the U.S. Government is now subject, (b) this Agreement and Consent constitutes the legal and valid obligation and contract of the Administrator and the Secretary, enforceable against the Administrator and the Secretary in accordance with its terms, and (c) the Administrator has full authority to subordinate its interest and rights under the FRA Security Agreement in the Equipment as provided herein.

- 9. The Indenture Trustee represents and warrants that (a) neither the execution nor delivery of this Agreement and Consent nor fulfillment nor compliance with the terms and provisions hereof will conflict with, or result in a breach of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, any agreement or instrument to which the Indenture Trustee is now subject, (b) this Agreement and Consent constitutes the legal and valid obligation and contract of the Indenture Trustee, enforceable against the Indenture Trustee in accordance with its terms, (c) the Indenture Trustee has the authority to enter into and perform the terms of this Agreement and Consent, and (d) all actions hereunder have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate actions.
- 10. This Agreement and Consent may be amended only by an agreement in writing signed by the parties hereto. This Agreement and Consent shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns. All references herein to the Indenture Trustee shall include references to any and all successor Indenture Trustee and holders of the New Notes (as defined in the Indenture).
  - 11. Amtrak hereby consents and agrees to the terms of this Agreement and Consent.
- 12. This Agreement and Consent may be executed in any number of counterparts, all of which together shall constitute a single instrument.
- 13. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement and Consent shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under Applicable Law (as defined in the Indenture), but if any provision of this Agreement and Consent shall be prohibited by or invalid under the laws of any jurisdiction, such provision, as to such jurisdiction, shall be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity, without invalidating the remainder of such provision or the remaining provisions of this Agreement in any other jurisdiction. This Agreement and Consent may be executed in any number of counterparts, all of which together shall constitute a single instrument.
- 14. The terms of this Agreement and Consent and all rights and obligations hereunder shall be governed by the laws of New York without regard to conflicts or choice of law provisions, provided that the parties shall be entitled to all rights conferred by the ICC Termination Act of 1995, as amended, codified at 49 U.S.C. §11301.
- 15. The parties agree to accept delivery of all of this Agreement and Consent in electronic format in lieu of original closing transcripts. The Parties further agree and stipulate that, to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, any such reproduction, in electronic format or otherwise, shall be admissible in evidence as the original itself in any judicial or administrative proceeding (whether or not the original is in existence and whether or not such reproduction was made in the regular course of business) and any enlargement, facsimile or further reproduction of such reproduction shall likewise be admissible in evidence. This Section 15 shall not prohibit the parties hereto or any holder of a New Note from contesting any such reproduction to the same extent that it could contest the original, or from introducing evidence to demonstrate the maccuracy of any such reproduction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned duly authorized officers of the parties hereto have executed this Agreement and Consent

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

Name:

Title. Deputy Administrator

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|       | EDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION, and that, as such officer, being authorized to  |
|       | he/she executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained   |
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# NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

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| Title:   | Treasurer  |    |
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MANUFACTURERS AND TRADERS TRUST COMPANY, as successor-in-interest to The First National Bank of Maryland, as Indenture Trustee

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#### Equipment

#### <u>DESCRIPTION OF UNITS-LOCOMOTIVES</u> (AMTRAK TRUST 98-A)

| <u>Description</u>  | Amtrak<br>Equipment<br><u>Numbers</u> | General Electric<br><u>Serial Numbers</u> |
|---|---------------------------------------|---|
| Eight (8) General Electric AMD-110 AC Dual Mode Locomotives | 710 through 717, inclusive            | 50190 through 50197, inclusive            |

### **CERTIFICATION**

| I, Robert W. Alvord, attorney licensed to practice  | in the State of New York and the         |
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| District of Columbia, do hereby certify under pena  | alty of perjury that I have compared the |
| attached copy with the original thereof and have t  | found the copy to be complete and        |
| identical in all respects to the original document. |  |
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Robert W. Alvord